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SATURDAY EVENING, NOV. 17, 1888

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

We have just returned from New York

with new prices on Rogers Bros' 1847

Knives. See us.

E. D. BANTHOLME & CO.

"For" tonight.

PAT ROONEY 22d.

DRAGON fat stock takes the lead.

Breakfast on auto at Orestes Bros'.

restaurant in open block.

Last night of the fair at the tabernacle.

Go this evening.

J. W. TYLEN has a fine lot of horse

blankets on sale at his harness shop.

CROOK of time on the Washburn

tomorrow.

ORDER turkeys for Thanksgiving at

Niedermyer's on the mound.

There will be interesting times at the

K. of L. fair at the tab. to-night.

Porting business is very dull. So say

the justices and officers, and they know.

Mr. SMITH, editor of the Peoria Call,

will read at the opera house Tuesday

evening.

Boys' channel wants at Stine's. If

ALWAYS good and reliable smokers -

Schneider's celebrated nickel cigars, sold

by all leading dealers.

Peter C. CANNON has self-swinging buck-

wheat, extra fine family flour, and fresh

golden butter on sale at his grocery store,

Call.

ORDER Decatur coal, lump and nut,

from F. D. Caldwell. [See 7d]

Conservation is in full blast. In Milan

township the yield is reported to be 10 to

50 bushels to the acre.

CALDWELL can furnish you Decatur

coal on short notice. [See 7d]

Brown range of all kinds, on sale at

Taylor & Park's.

The G. A. R. orchestra has been en-

gaged to play for the Knights of Pythias

ball at Marion, Thanksgiving night.

Chatting with the Mayor.

Mr. H. W. Wagner, just home from

his five-months tour through Europe,

made slow progress this busy Saturday

passing along the streets. He was kept

busy shaking hands with old friends,

most of whom wanted him to relate all

his experiences and detail all the sights

he had seen in the old country. A Re-

publican reporter managed to get in a

few words edgewise with the returned

pilgrim, who couldn't disguise the fact

that he is in excellent health and more

than tickled to get home again. Mr.

Wagner kept moving all the time he

was gone, and experienced little or no

trouble in making himself understood at

the hotels and other public places in

France, Italy, Germany and Switzerland,

while in England of course he got along

same as if he had been in America. He

saw many strange and new things in his

travels. He saw that in Germany and

France the farmers have a peculiar way

of putting in seed. Instead of giving

up a field to wheat or barley or corn,

these farmers sow the grain in streaks,

alternating wheat, oats and barley,

so that when the grain ripens there is

one field row of wheat 20 or 30 feet wide

and similar streaks of oats and barley

alternating. After Mr. Wagner got on

the train at Decatur, five months ago, in

all his travels abroad he failed to meet

anybody he had ever seen before until he

returned to Philadelphia and met his

brother. This is rather singular, but it

is true nevertheless. Even while on his

way to New York, and during his stay in

that city, he met no one he had ever seen

on a former occasion. He met Ameri-

cans abroad but they were strangers to

him. Mr. W. was not sea-sick crossing

the Atlantic either trip. While in Lon-

don he invested in a new suit of clothes,

overcoat included, all made to order,

which he got at but little less than

American prices. His suit had cost him

\$225. They sell at \$3 and \$3.50 here.

Spent a pleasant

The eyes of all the surrounding towns

are upon Decatur, and some of our gen-

tle neighbors are taking steps to head

us off, but they will hardly succeed.

Read this from the Springfield Journal

of today:

Decatur is rapidly slipping ahead of

Springfield as the extent and number of

her manufacturing enterprises. This

state of affairs should not be allowed to

exist, and to this end the citizen's

meeting, Monday evening, should be well

attended.

A LOG ON.

Dr. Cass Chomeweth arrived home this

morning from Ivesdale, which he was

called last evening to attend a young

man named J. A. Smith, a brakeman on

Conductor Hartman's freight train, who

had his right leg crushed below the knee

while coupling a car. Smith's leg was

struck by the break bar, and he fell with

his body outside the truck, but his leg

was caught by the wheel. The foot and

lower part of the limb were crushed into

a shapeless mass. Dr. Chomeweth, assisted

by Dr. Vance, of Belmont, and Dr.

Gregory, of Ivesdale, amputated the leg

below the knee. Smith is a single man.

His home is at Hillsboro, Ill., to which

place he will be removed from Ivesdale

as soon as he can stand the trip.

In New Quarters.

Last evening Mr. Joseph Miel, tobacco-

ist, took possession of his new store

room at the old stand on Water street,

and he is now ready for business in his

new quarters, which are as fine as they

make 'em. The first floor, with its plate

glass front, will be used as a salesroom,

with the shops at the rear, the basement

is a storage room for stock, the second

floor will be rented for offices, and the

third floor, which is reached by means of

an expensive elevator, will be used to

store away cigars made up ready for the

trade. The new building is a solid and

handsome structure and a credit to the

city.

A Centaur capitalist sent a letter to a

Decatur bank to-day, asking if there were

any blocks of stock or bonds on sale in

the city. He wanted it in lots of not

less than \$5,000. That party ought to

come down on the first train. Decatur

has plenty of stock ready for takers, and

purchasers can take their choice, either

in a sewing machine factory, electric light

company, cannery factory, and other

enterprises too tedious to mention.

The young man's meeting will be led

by George T. Tucker, subject, "One More

Opportunity." Luke XIII: 9. 9. Meet at

8:30 p. m. This will be the closing

meeting of the week of prayer observed by

the various associations over the world.

Young men are earnestly urged to attend

the meeting to-night.

The Joint Surprise Party To-night.

This is the sort of a send-off the New

York Herald gave Rice's Surprise Party,

which troupe is to appear at the opera

house to-night in "Top."

The second performance of Rice's Sur-

prise Party in "Top" was witnessed last

evening by a large and appreciative audience. A program

of more sparkling wit and brilliant genius

has never been seen here. There is not a

stick in the party, every gentleman here

is a part of the whole. The display of

talent is so general, while all the ladies

are attractive and pretty, and besides

possessing good voices command a fair share

of historic ability.

And remember the admission is but 35c,

50c and 75c seats. Don't miss this musical

extravaganza.

The German class in the Y. M. C. A.

rooms was organized last night with a

good membership. Miss Judd conducts

the lesson entirely conversational. Any

one wishing to join the class will please

be in attendance on next Friday at 8:30

p. m.

This week Wayne & Anderson received

a letter of inquiry all the way from New

Zealand, 10,000 miles distant, asking for

one of their celebrated road curbs.

The doctor making the inquiry didn't see

the advertisement in the Republican.

He saw it in a carriage journal.

These Anna ladies are in Decatur to-

day buying goods at less than Chicago

and St. Louis prices at the Decatur

rooms.

The ministers of the city will meet in

the pastor's study of the First M. E.

church on Monday next at 9 a. m., sharp.

You are earnestly invited to

spend this evening at the Y. M. C. A.

rooms.

Con. Neal Dow, the noted temperance le-

ctur, who has visited Europe three times

and talked temperance until he ought to

be hoarse, but is not, came near falling

into the clutches of the city marshal at

Taylorville this week, all on account of

the aversions mayor of the town who

insisted that General Dow should pay a

license fee of \$10 for talking temperance

at 25 cents a head in that village. The

mayor went so far as to swear out a war-

rant for the arrest of Con. Dow, and the

paper was in the hands of the marshal,

but he didn't serve it, the General going

ahead and delivering his talk without

interference. The episode kicked up quite

a rumpus among the whiskey and temper-

ance factions at Taylorville, and the Jour-

nal gave the mayor a column beating

for his action in the matter. General

Dow's manager, Mr. A. F. Smith, called

upon the mayor and tried to reason with

him, but he could not be made to say

whether or not he would have the speaker

arrested. The lecture was given, but the

paper was not served.

Why Not?

"Decatur ought to have a paid fire

department." Such was the remark of a

tax-payer last evening, whose property

interests are greater than those of the

average citizen; and he meant what he

said. He has figured on the cost of keep-

ing up a paid department and finds that

it will cost about \$3,000 a year to foot

the bill that will be incurred. This citizen

is one of those men who has noticed that

Decatur is getting too big for the volun-

teer system, for the reason that it is too

big a job for no pay, and because there

is no man in the department who can

take there used to be when the tourna-

ments and banquets and rosters and

luncheon in the papers kept up the inter-

est. The boys are as good firemen as

ever but the majority of them are not

seen at the hose houses when the bell

sounds the alarm. Only a few of the vet-

erans to the mark, except in rare cases.

Decatur should look the necessity of the

hour upon the face, and arrange to

secure a paid department to protect prop-

erty. A better fire alarm system is also

needed. When an alarm is sounded it

generally takes five or ten minutes to lo-

cate the conflagration, except when it is

in the heart of the city.

PERSONAL MENTION.



